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1. SOVIETS ACCEPTED REVISED US PREAMBLE LANGUAGE ON STRATEGIC STABILITY TABLED JULY 31 (REFTEL), THUS COMPLETING AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT ON ENTIRE PREAMBLE. SOVIETS ALSO PROPOSED REVISED LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE VI PARAGRAPH 3 (DISMANTLING AND DESTRUCTION) WHICH US AGREED TO CONSIDER.

2. WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARD ARTICLE IV PARAGRAPH 6 (EXCESS CONSTRUCTION RATES), KARPOV ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING INTENT AND SPECIFIC APPLICABILITY OF US PROPOSAL. KLOSSON AND EARLE EXPLAINED BASIC RATIONALE, REFERRING TO AGREED SCC PROCEDURES ON SSBN CONSTRUCTION RATES AND NOTING DESIRABILITY OF LESSENING POTENTIAL FOR BREAKOUT. FROM KARPOV'S QUESTIONS IT APPEARED SOVIETS WERE CONCERNED OVER REFERENCE IN US PROPOSAL TO "MODERNIZATION AND REPLACEMENT" SCHEDULE, BUT NOT NECESSARILY TO "CONSTRUCTION". KARPOV SAID THAT INTENT OF CONSTRUCTION, WHETHER OR NOT FOR MODERNIZATION AND REPLACEMENT, SEEMED IRRELE-

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